Amendments to the claims:

- 1. (previously canceled)
- (previously canceled)
- 3. (previously canceled)
- 4. (previously canceled)
- 5. (previously canceled)
- 6. (previously canceled)
- 7. (previously canceled)
- 8. (previously canceled)
- 9. (previously canceled)
- 10. (currently amended) A wiper system (1) for vehicles,

comprising: having

a wiper lever assembly (7) that has at least one wiper arm (26), which wherein the wiper lever assembly [verb-missing] has a first pivot lever (9), which can be coupled in a manner fixed against relative rotation to a stationary first shaft (19), and a second pivot lever (11), which is freely rotatable about a stationary second shaft (23), wherein the first pivot lever (9) is connected via a first joint (15) and the second pivot lever (11) is connected via a second joint (17) to a coupling element (13); and

having a drive device (29) , which has having a drive shaft (31), disposed at a distance from the first and second shafts (19, 23), wherein with the aid of which the drive shaft at least one toggle link (37) can be shifted in oscillating

fashlon, wherein the toggle link (37) is connected via a joint (43) to a coupling part (45) that is coupled to the first shaft (19) in a manner fixed against relative rotation, wherein a spacing between the first and second shafts is less than a spacing between the drive shaft and the first shaft.

- 11. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 10, characterized in that wherein the second shaft (23) is disposed directly next to an A pillar of the vehicle body and/or an engine hood hinge.
- 12. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 10, characterized in that wherein the first shaft (19) is disposed between the drive shaft (31) and the second shaft (23).
 - 13. (canceled)
- 14. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 <u>10</u>, characterized in that wherein the wiper arm (26) can be fastened to one of the pivot levers (9; 11) , preferably the second pivot-lever (11).
- 15. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 10, characterized in that wherein the first and second joints (15; 17) are embodied as ball joints.

- 16. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 10, characterized in that wherein the rotationally fixed connection between the first pivot lever (9) and the first shaft (19) and/or the connection between the second pivot lever (11) and the second shaft (23) is separable.
- 17. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 4 10, characterized in that wherein at least one nozzle that can be acted upon by a fluid under pressure is disposed on the wiper arm (26).
- 18. (currently amended) The wiper system of claim 1 10, characterized in that wherein the first and second pivot levers (9; 11) are embodied as die-cast or bent sheet-metal parts.